

TOBACCO BOX.

THOUGH the fate of battle on to
morrow wait, (ing Kate;
Let's not lose our prattle now, my charm-
'Till the hour of glory, love shall now take
place, (case.

Nor damp the joys before us with a future

K. O! my Thomas, still be constant,
still be true,

O be to your Kate, as Kate is still to you;
Glory will attend you, still make us blest,
With my firmest love, my dear, you're still
possest [hearts above,

T. No new beauties tasted, I'm their
Three campaigns are wasted, but not so my
love: (prize

Anxious still about thee, thou art all I
Never, Kate, without thee will I close these
eyes. (main,

K. Constant to my Thomas I will still re-
Nor think that I will leave thy side the
whole campaign [bold,

But I'll cherish thee, and strive to make thee
May'st thou share the vict'ry may'st thou
share the gold (bear,

T. If, by some bold action, I the halbert
Think what satisfaction when my rank you
share;

Dress'd like a lady fair from top to toe,
Fine laced caps and ruffles shall be your due

K. If a serjeant's lady I should prove
Linen shall be always read for my love;
Never more will Kate the Captain's laun-
dress be, [hee.

I'm too pretty, Thomas love, for all but

T. Here, Kate, take my tobacco box,
a soldier's all [doom'd to fall:
If by Frenchmen's blows your Tom is
When my life is ended, thou may'st boast
and prove, [of love.

Thou, dost my first, my last and only plague

K. Here take thy box thou art to me,
Nor think but I'll be near thee love, to see
In the hour of danger let me always share,
I'll not be kept a stranger to my soldier's
fate. [fallen tear

T. Check that rising sigh, Kate, stop that
Come my pretty comrade entertain on fear;
But may heaven befriend us! Hark! the
drum commands,

Now I will attend you love, I kiss thy hand

K. I cannot stop those tears, tho' cary-
ing I disdain, [to gain:

But must own 'tis trying hard the the point
May good heaven defend thee, [fate.

One kiss more—and then I give thee up to